

## From the Principal's Desk

### Dates to Remember

#### TERM 2

18 May	STEM Meets
	Symphony
19 May	Prep-Year 3 Sports Day
22-26 May	Book Fair
3 Jun	FISAF Super Series (Sport Aerobics)
14 Jun	Year 3 Excursion GECC
16 Jun	Crazy Hair Day
19 Jun	Prep 100 days Celebration
23 Jun	Last Day of Term 2

#### TERM 3

10 Jul	1 <sup>st</sup> Day of Term 3
18 Jul	School Photos
14 Aug	Gladstone Show Holiday
15-16 Aug	Prep Vision Screening



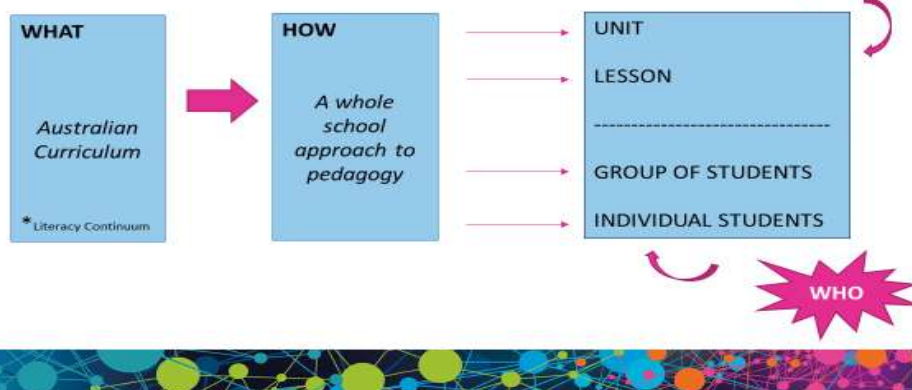
### GLADSTONE WEST STATE SCHOOL

### Annual Implementation Plan 2023

Over the next three weeks, I will be placing the schools AIP in the newsletter. Our Improvement Priorities are based around three items: 1. What- What we teach which is the Australian Curriculum, 2. How- This is how we teach it. The pedagogy- and 3. Is the Who- Which is the students- Knowing our individual students and what they need to be successful learners.

Department of Education

### Collaborative Planning



### School Details

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**STUDENT ABSENCE LINE:**  
**4979 7366**

## Improvement Priority #2: HOW- GWSS whole school approach to pedagogy and best practices.

### TARGETS

At 12 months (end of Term 4)

- Whole school reading action Plan enacted
- Data analyses and improvement enacted
- Transition programs completed and Professional development.
- APDP process enacted for all teachers and leaders

Yours in education  
Damien Hoare  
Principal

## Strategy – Improve students' reading through developing teachers' capability to teach reading effectively.

Actions	Timeline	Checkpoints/Milestones
Deputy Principal and PED Coach implement whole school reading action plan.	Termly	<b>At 3 months (end Term 1)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reading action plan completed with Goals for students</li> <li>- Week 6- Map on literacy continuum</li> <li>- Moderation</li> <li>- Whole school reading action Plan completed Term 1</li> <li>- Instructional walk throughs being completed</li> </ul>
Leadership Team plan PD includes identification of reading demands/pedagogical practices.	Termly	
Deputy Principals lead Lit Continuum Mapping/use of Marker Collection Tool	Termly	
PLC's will identify Students for targeted interventions to improve reading data	Termly	
Leaders participate in term planning to ensure identification of reading demands and reading goals are created from the unit reading demands.	Termly	
Line leaders and BTM identifies and provides teachers with support to build reading capability.	Termly	
Leadership Team plan observations & PLC check-ins to monitor and review implementation of Literacy Action Plans (RAP)/use of goal cards/targeted students' interventions.	Termly	<b>At 6 months (end of Term 2)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Whole school reading action Plan completed Term 2</li> <li>- Reading action plan completed with Goals for students</li> <li>- Week 5- Map on literacy continuum</li> <li>- Moderation</li> <li>- Instructional walk throughs being completed</li> </ul>

## Strategy – Use the 3 levels of planning to support effective teaching, learning, assessment and reporting to suit individual students and school context.

Actions	Timeline	
Teachers provide regular feedback to students, aligned to the five guiding questions, with a focus on English.	Termly	<b>At 9 months (end of Term 3)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Whole school reading action Plan completed Term 3</li> <li>- Reading action plan completed with Goals for students</li> <li>- Week 5- Map on literacy continuum</li> <li>- Moderation</li> <li>- Instructional walk throughs being completed</li> </ul>
Teachers and leadership team use Early Start and the P-10 Literacy Continuum to monitor students' progress in Reading and identify next steps in teaching and learning.	Termly	
PLC and Cohort meetings are scheduled to give opportunities for staff to collaboratively analyse student data to plan next steps in teaching and learning.	Termly	
Leadership team participate in formal walkthroughs- To monitor vulnerable students and also to identify best practices and feedback opportunities for teachers and leadership.	Weekly	

## Strategy – Support career and capability development using collaboration and the annual performance review process.

Actions	Timeline	
All line leaders have enacted APDP process with staff they lead.	Yearly	<b>100% of teaching and leadership team have an APDP by end of semester 1.</b>  <b>PDP completed Term 1</b>
Leaders of School improvement Groups strategic ownership of these. Involve teachers in these groups.	Termly	
Principal will complete the Professional Development Plan	Yearly	

## OSHC - Out of School Hours Care

Last term we started a survey regarding Out of School Hours Care. I just wanted to update everyone that, yes we are still going ahead with this. Due to processes, policies and tender processes this will take time. We are looking at starting in term 4 2023. Below I have put our survey results.

**What are your current or surveyed number that are permanent bookings for the below services on a daily basis?**

**Before School Care Numbers: 45**

**After School Care Numbers: 51**

**Vacation Care Numbers: 26**

**Student Free Day Numbers: 26**

## BOW – Best of West

Best of West has been calculated there is 185 days until 24<sup>th</sup> November Week 8 Term 4 which is the cut off. 172 Days is 93%, this is the schools expectation of attendance. 157 Days allows 15 days exemption eg; Covid, sport, and other family events etc.

**157 x 3 stars = 471 Stars**

For your child to receive Best of West they will need 471 Stars.  
As explained, this allows 15 days exemption also.

If you have long periods of absenteeism then it is parents/carers responsibility to email the **class teacher** if they are wanting an exemption other than these 15 days.

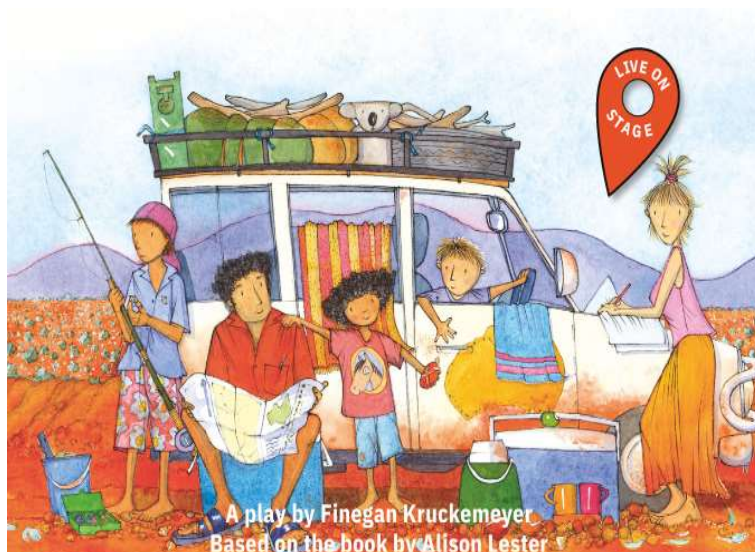
Teachers then put this email to the committee and they will either approve this or decline.



## Year 3 Excursion – GECC – “Are we there yet”

Our year 3's have been invited to an excursion at the Gladstone Entertainment and Convention Centre on the 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2023. The performance is “Are We There Yet”. The performance is part of the year 3 English and HASS curriculum. The students will depart the school at 11.00am and travel by bus to the GECC. The cost of the excursion is \$11.00 and is due by 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2023. Please make payment via the QKR App! or via the QParents App! Consent must be given via your child's QParents Account.

If you have any queries regarding this excursion, please contact your class teacher via email.





## Story Dogs News

Gladstone West State School is very excited to have a new regular visitor to our school to help our students with their reading. 'Kaos' and Nareen will be visiting every Wednesday to help our year 3 classes with their reading.

The Story Dogs program partners with the classroom teachers to help students with their reading. 'Kaos' and Nareen will help the same 4 – 5 students each week. The students will come out of their classroom and sit one-on-one with 'Kaos' and Nareen and read to 'Kaos'. 'Kaos' loves to listen and will not mind if the student makes a few mistakes, she just wants to have a fun time so that books and reading become a joyful experience.



'Kaos' loves cuddles and walks or rides in the car. 'Kaos' has been practicing at home with her new books so that she will be ready to help the students. She is super excited about starting.

If you are interested in volunteering in this rewarding program, please let Mrs Jacob know and she will put you in touch with our local co-ordinator.

**Yr 3 parents - consent forms have been sent home this week. Please return this to your classroom teacher if you would like your child to be considered for inclusion in this program.**

Prep – Year 3 Interhouse Sports Day – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May

## Prep – Year 3 Sports Day Friday 19 May 2023



***“Run, Jump and Throw – Let’s have FUN”***

<b>9.00 – 10.45am</b>	<b>Yr1 – 3 Curriculum based rotations</b>
<b>11.00 – 11.40am</b>	<b>Lunch / First break</b>
<b>11.45 – 1.15pm</b>	<b>Prep – Year 3 Sprints</b>
<b>1.30 – 2.00pm</b>	<b>Second break</b>
<b>2.00 – 2.55pm</b>	<b>Prep Curriculum based rotations</b>

### General information:

- Please ensure that all hats and waterbottles are clearly named
- Sunscreen should be applied prior to coming to school **NO** coloured zinc
- Normal break times during the day, tuckshop will operate as normal

## Library News



# Book Fair 2023

We're setting up!

The cases are here and the books are calling.

**May 22<sup>nd</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>**

Come to the Library from 8AM Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> to buy your favourites!

**Before School:  
8am-8.45am**

**After School:  
3pm-3.45pm**

Students can also purchase during their breaks.

Cash, EFTPOS, QKR

*Remember, every  
book you buy earns  
free books for our  
school!*



## Around the Classes

4B

# Market Preparations


This week 4B are busy preparing their product items for the whole school markets next week. They are all loving the real-life skills and learning a lot about what makes a successful business including profit versus expenses.





## Parent Information Session

### Movement is Serious Fun!

**Learning Connections**  
Helping children achieve

**Join us for an Information Session  
about the Learning Connections  
School Program**

We are excited to be partnering with Learning Connections to introduce their School Program into **Gladstone West State School** and we would like to get together and tell you all about it.

**Purpose of the session:**  
The purpose of the information session is to provide parents with an overview of the School Program and how it helps prepare children for learning.

**Key topics:**  
What is the Learning Connections' School Program and how does it help get children ready to learn?  
Tips for home; increasing play and movement; managing screen time; tips for diet and mealtimes.

**Date** Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022  
**Time** 3:30 – 4:30 PM  
**Venue** Gladstone West State School  
 Boles St, Gladstone 4680  
**RSVP** By Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May to  
 Email: [dcapi0@eq.edu.au](mailto:dcapi0@eq.edu.au)  
 or phone: 07 49797333

**Tea, coffee, cold drinks and snacks will be served.**

Please advise if you have any accessibility requirements or dietary requirements.  
(contact details below)

**For more information please contact:**

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*Using the power of movement to improve children's ability to concentrate and learn.*



## Prep Parents – Vision Screening

## 2024 Prep Enrolments


Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Service

### Free Prep Vision Screening


is coming

**Gladstone West State School**

Have you completed your consent form yet?



Please scan this QR code to complete your child's consent form by **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2023** to secure your spot



Prep Enrolment forms for 2024 are now available from the Admin Office. Student details will be required when an enrolment form is given out. Eligible students for Prep for 2024 must turn five on or before 30 June 2024.

Completed enrolment forms are to be returned to the school office. We need to sight Original Birth Certificates when enrolment forms are returned. Enrolment forms will not be accepted without the Birth Certificate. Enrolment management conditions apply.

# Prep 2024

## RotaKids – Term 2 Projects



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### Lunchtime Activities

#### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May

- Prep play area
- Library (yr 1-3)
- Year 5,6 oval

#### Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

- Prep play area
- Library (yr 1-3)
- Year 3,4 oval

#### Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

- Prep play area
- Library (yr 1-3)
- Year 1,2 oval

### Toiletries drive for Dignity Hub

The Dignity Hub is where those experiencing housing difficulties can go for a shower and launder their clothes & access emergency food hampers.



soap – shampoo – conditioner – deodorant – toothbrush – toothpaste – hair brush – comb – tissues – toilet paper – baby items – nappies  
 (note: NO scissors or razors)



Please drop toiletry items to the school office.

### Crazy Hair Day for Cancer Council

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June**



**Gold coin donation (if possible).**

Classes will vote for the best crazy hair in each class to then go down the cat walk at parade. Prizes to be won on parade.

### Purchase giant outdoor games



**CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE**

## Tuckshop & Uniform Shop News

### Uniform Shop Opening Times

Every Wednesday &  
Thursday

8.15am – 2.00pm

Friday 8.15am – 8.45am

Gladstone West State School use the Qkr App for all online ordering for our uniform orders as well as our tuckshop.  
**Online Orders must be placed by 8:00 am.**

Qkr!™ by Mastercard® is the mobile phone payment app designed for Australian schools, delivering an advanced and competitive online payment solution. Qkr delivers convenience to parents, efficiency to canteen staff and excellent reporting to school office staff.

Qkr is better for parents:

- Make faster, more convenient payments from a secure mobile app anywhere and at any time
- Website payment alternative for parents and carers without a smartphone or tablet
- Copy lunch orders from one week to the next to save time
- Pay direct from a credit or debit card without pre-loading funds to a third party account
- Track transactions easily with online receipts



Our Tuckshop operates every Wednesday, Thursday & Friday for both first and second breaks. It is preferable for students to pre-order before school each morning. While over the counter sales are available for Years 4 to 6, choices will be restricted to what is available at the time.

Please provide a separate bag for first and second breaks. A 5 cent surcharge is applied where no paper bag is supplied. Acceptable payment methods are via our online ordering system or cash only, there are no EFTPOS facilities available. No foreign currency will be accepted.

### Uniform Shop Prices

School Polo Shirts	\$30.00
Reversible Bucket Hats	\$20.00
Skirt/Shorts Combos	\$30.00
Unisex Shorts	\$25.00
School Dresses	\$50.00
Jackets	\$50.00
Fleecy Jumpers	\$40.00
Fleecy Tracksuit Pants	\$22.00



**Volunteers are required to help in the tuckshop. If you are interested in helping out for 2023, please give your name to Kay at the tuckshop.**



## Community Notice



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Events

# Events

## May 2023

FREE

May

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***Cultural Experience: Barney point***

You are invited to join Stronger Together for this culture experience session which includes a smoking ceremony, dance, music and weaving lesson followed by a short bush tucker walk that will be delivered first-hand by the representatives of the local Gooreng Gooreng people.

May

16

***Domestic & family violence***

This session will focus on increasing the capacity of CALD women to recognise DFV, seek support and learn about avenues for referrals and further support.

May

20

***Cultural Tour: Boyne Valley***

On Saturday May 20th from 9am to 3pm, you are invited to join Stronger Together and Gladstone Region Tours for this all day, family friendly, Cultural Heritage Tour(Boyne Valley).

Every  
Monday

10:00-  
11:30  
am

***Multicultural Hub***

This is a drop-in Hub for multicultural families. That provides a safe space for kids to play, for parents & caregivers to connect and to seek support from the Stronger Together team. Guest speakers will be invited to attend the Hub on a drop-in bases.

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***My Aussie Plan (MAP)***

The main focus of this program is to create a personal plan, through a one on one approach, that will help you reach your individual needs and aspirations, setting short, medium and long term goals to succeed.

**MORE INFORMATION: 0455 483 916**  
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## June 2023



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***CALD Disaster Ready Workshop***

Emergencies and disasters can happen at any time in Queensland. It's important that you are ready. Come along to the disaster ready workshop to learn about preparing for emergencies and disasters and help us learn how to better reach you.

***Police relationship and community support***

Come along for this information session and learn about the work local police officers do in our community, supporting and protecting families.

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